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Arguments/Remarks

Statement of the Substance of the Interview

A series of telephone interviews were conducted between the undersigned Agent for Applicant, J. Michael Johnson, and Examiner Hoang, on July 16, 2006 and July 17, 2006. During the telephone interviews, Mr. Johnson disagreed with the Examiner's contention that a bypass transistor (M27) disclosed by Weiss et al., U.S. Patent No. 6,192,001 B1, is equivalent to a "weak-write pull-down transistor" recited in Claim 20. However, in the interest of furthering the prosecution, Mr. Johnson agreed with the Examiner to amend Claims 20 and 21.

Remarks

Applicant agrees with the Examiner's amendments to Claims 20 and 21 presented in an Examiner's Amendment section of a Supplemental Notice of Allowability (hereinafter 'Supplemental NOA'), mailed July 20, 2006. Applicant further appreciates the Examiner's allowance of Claims 1-24, as amended. Attached above is a listing of the claims including the aforementioned amendments entered by the Examiner believed by Applicant to reflect a current status of the allowed claims.

Should the Examiner have any questions regarding the above, please contact the undersigned, J. Michael Johnson, Agent for Applicant, at telephone number (775) 849-3085.

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